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ment of Justice, called for assistance in connection with turning around the vote in the Committee of the Whole on the McClory amendment to H. R. 7308, the electronic surveillance bill, when the matter comes up for reconsideration. I told him we would do so but that it seems that the needed votes will be found among those absent during the initial vote. Subsequently, I reported my call to Representative Ike Skelton (D., Mo.) and that Representative Thomas L. Ashley (D., Ohio) would support the Administration. I also reported to Heckman the need to be sure that the Director's authority for security protection of information provided the courts be preserved if the Ertel amendment is not reconsidered.

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